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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Kyosuke Achiwa et al.

Application No.: 10/657,010

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For: Storage Apparatus System and
Method of Data Backup

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No. 1740

Examiner: Paul A. Baker

Technology Center/Art Unit: 2188

PETITION TO WITHDRAW FROM
ISSUE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.313(a)

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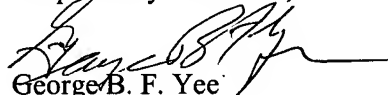
Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c)(2), Applicants hereby petition for the withdrawal of this application from issue and petition for consideration of a request for continued examination (RCE). This petition is being filed in order that references submitted in an Information Disclosure Statement by way of an RCE (submitted herewith) can be considered by the Examiner.

Three references were cited and are being submitted herewith.

For authorization to charge the petition fee for this Petition, please see the accompanying Petition Fee Transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,


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